Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election shows what media consolidation can really do--become the mouthpiece of partisan objectives at the expense of our democracy.

By law, Sinclair is obligated to serve the public interest in return for use the public airwaves free of charge. When large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for them and less of what's good for our democracy.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.